seal Sunday School Christmas Celebrations Held Last Night.

MASK BALL, TURNER HALL

schools of the Presbyterian and hodist Churches Celebrate the Holiday Season.

were a number of Christians relebeen the custom of the wain to provide a Christion each year for the children provided with entertainments of intervals throughout the year and red meet and proper that at entertainment during the year for the children of the mem-Christmas holiday has been every set aside as the most approons to enjoy thristmas tree the Turnverein several years all becomes more popular and was the crowning event of all rears. The attendance was pt wis in Frairs. The attendance was in Frairs. The attendance was in resiumes were prettier and more in the could be desired on the part state, who seemed to be as happy children in the satisfaction of make children happy. During the even pandid supper was served and at action a snow ball battle with pictedit is due the ladies of the Turn-es for making the event such a pro-

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN. Smday school of the First Presby-

courch celebrated Christmas last at the beautiful chapel of the church, sas appropriately decorated for the There was no Christmas tree. occasion was none the less enjoy that account. Several of the pupils side soles. Mrs. E. A. Peden sang in such a fascinaring way that as insisted upon, and Miss Cora a recitation so appropriate in and so cieverly rendered as to show and so eleverly rendered as to a addence in constant langiter. fole is a new aspirant in the al-dented array of Houston's local clo-ats and her talent in the histrionic rapidly adding to her popularity, these special features the Sunday poils joined in a grand march, after the was presented with a box of

BRIARN MEMORIAL CHURCH. Oristmas celebration for the Sunded of the Shearn Memorial Methiniscopal church, South, was one season, and was held last eventhe chapel of the church. The chapet mifully and elaborately decorated if inviting appearance. The house riving appearance. The house of to overflowing with the little art parents, relatives and friends, littly in from of and above the re-swang fourteen large initation in bearing a large letter of thistmas." These bells were is to swing to either sides as if as made a very pleasant feature, risinment consisted of the rendicatemistic Christmas cantata, "The Christmas," with the following

..... Frances Smith Wilma McKee ... Harold Schurensan

t, Miss Helen Lane. and every participant carried out the part well. After the cantata fall in the house was made the boat of confections and an include the box of confection in hand deserve great for the manner in which it was carried.

sting was made for the benefit of shelds orphan home at Waco. It is the benefit of the benefit of the benefit of the benefit one, and although the Louis could not be ascertained last if flex S. R. Hay said, "You can hi it was a very liberal offering, by the expectations, and for which were the benefit of the benefit of

OUSION HEIGHTS MISSION. of pretty and successful Christmas was given by the St. Steisa Union Sunday school at Housits in the lecture room of the del on Christmas night.

a strice, entitled "Christmas Has strice, entitled "Christmas Has radered as follows: ijma-"Christmas Has Come"
Sunday school lecitation Sedicy Mansfield flat the Christmas Bells" Choir

Margaret Milroy
Margaret Milroy
Mar Dexter's class
We will Linger by the Man
School and choir
Mars scripture reading
Led by Arthur Cooley
The Wondrous Stare-Juet
Louise Quinn and Ida Bell
Christman Giffs

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hal Package Sent By Mail to All Who Write.

packages of a most remarkable being malled to all who will state Medical Institute. They may men who had battled for at the mental and physical suffers and the distribute free trial packwis write. It is a home treatil men who suffer with any true weakness, resulting from the premature loss of strength weak weak back, varicoccie, or of paris, can now cure themetics.

Carstens.

Song "Weicome to Santa Claus". Seng "Weicome to Santa Claus". Song "Weicome to Santa Claus". Seng "Weicome to Santa Claus". Seng to Illian and From the Institute is the string that you desire one stailing that you desire one shall packages will be considered by the pupils: Remarks and Folia All". Song "The Institute is desired to leave home to be treatives sample will enable them and to leave home to be treatives sample will enable them and Edua Josey. Song "The Midnight Hours Are Spectage of the pupils of the Christimas entertainment of the Leave Avenue Baptist church took plus the Christimas entertainment of the Leavey Avenue Baptist church took plus the Christimas entertainment of the Leavey Avenue Baptist church took plus the Christimas entertainment of the Leavey Avenue Baptist church took plus the Christimas entertainment of the Leavey Avenue Baptist church took plus the Christimas entertainment of the Leavey Avenue Baptist church took plus the Christimas entertainment of the Leavey Avenue Baptist church took plus the Christimas entertainment of the Leavey Avenue Baptist church took plus the Christimas entertainment of the Leavey Avenue Baptist church took plus the Christimas entertainment of the Leavey Avenue Baptist church took plus the Christimas entertainment of the Leavey Avenue Baptist church took plus the Christimas entertainment of the Leavey Avenue Baptist church took plus the Christimas entertainment of the Leavey Avenue Baptist church took plus the Christimas entertainment of the Leavey Avenue Baptist church took plus the Christimas ente

Six Thousand Dollars Is Placed in the Hands of Trustees for the

NORMA MELDRUM CHILDREN'S LIBRARY

To Be Installed as a Memorial in the Carnegie Library Building-The Conditions of the Gift.

stated that upon the establishment of the ing books, papers and periodicals suitable use of said library. for children, and this to be in memory of his little daughter, who died in this that all books, papers and periodicals pur city in the fall of 1839. Yesterday the do-nation deed was signed by Mr. Meldrum and his wife, whereby six first merigage needs of the Houston East and West Texas. sends of the Houston East and West Texas | Libra ed over to the trustees, Messrs, J. U. Carr, W. B. Chew and James A. Baker, who are to manage the fund and to pay the broome thereof for the purchase of books. etc., to three other trustees, styled the "Ladies' committee," composed of Mrs. Efizabeth L. Ring, wife of Mr. H. F. Ring. Mrs. Lavinia A. Lovett, wife of Mr. R. S. Lovett, and Miss Edith R. Meldram, sister of Mr. N. S. Meldrum.

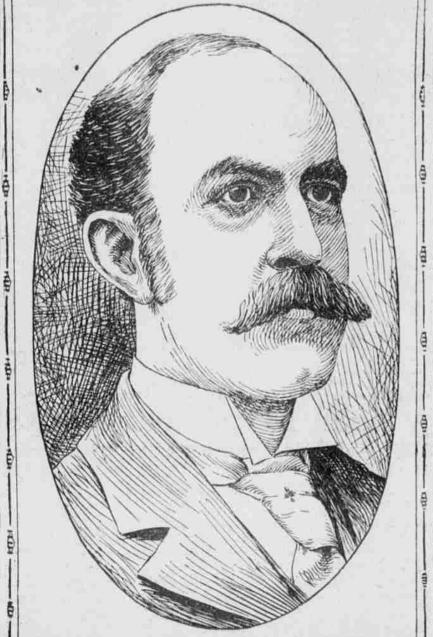
in memory of our little daughter, Norma Meldrum, who departed this life in the city of Houston on the 23d day of November. 1809. Said trust fund and the increase and Income thereof shall be known and designated as 'The Norma Meldrum Chidren's Library Fund.'

Third The object and purpose of this constion is to provide the Houston Lyceum and Carnegie Library association with books, papers and periodicals suitable for children between the ages of 8 and It will be remembered that about the 15 years, and we direct that as soon as time Mr. Carnegie made his gift of \$50,000 the building donated by Mr. Andrew Car to the City of Houston for the establish negle to the city of Houston has been ment of a public library, Mr. N. S. Mel. erected and completed one of the bonds grabers. The adults of the Verein drum, general manager of the Houston denated shall be soft by the trustees at East and West Texas Rallway company, we but price obtainable therefor and the proceeds turned over by them to the la Hibrary he would denote the sum of \$6000, dies' committee to be used in the purchase the income of which to be used in provide of books, papers and periodicals for the

"Fifth. It is our desire, and we so direct

orthopal, as above provided, the remain our of the denation is to be held in tru-and invested and re-invested by the truare to manage the fund and to pay the income thereof for the purchase of books, etc., to three other trustees, sixted the "Ladies" committee," composed of Mr. L. F. Ring. Wirs. Lavinha. A. Lovett, wife of Mr. R. S. Lovett, and Miss Edirh R. Meldrum, State of Mr. N. S. Meldrum.

The following extract from the agree.



Hyun-"As Men of Old"

Ladles quartetle
Address. Superintcodent C A McKlunev
Hymn-"Glory Be to God" School
Exemplified-"Christmas Has Come"
Sixteen small children
Helen Milroy and Florence Wnipple
Exemplified-"A Living Star"
Mrs. McKlunev's class
Hymu-"Peace on Earth" Choir
Address. Rev Dr. B. A. Rogers
Solo and male quartette chorus.
Mr. Fred W. Dexter and gentlemen
of choir.

of choir.
There was a fine Christman tree, beautifully decorated and lighted with candles.
Santa Claus was present and at the close of the entertainment presented every child with a box of confections.

LUBBOCK STREET CHURCH.

hurch last night a most enjoyable Christnas festival was given. Captain William Christian, the superintendent of this Sunday school, is very proud of his charge and he saw to it that every child of the Sunday school was liberally remembered with a bag of good things and a box of

with a bag of good things and a box of candy.

The following was the program rendered: Song—"Wake the Song of Glery" School Recitation Sade Carstons Tableau Song—"The Chiming Bells Song—"The Chiming Bells Song—"The Chiming Bells Charile Byrnes Charile Byrnes Charile Byrnes March—"Christmas Spelling Match" Twenty-six boys and girls Tableau Mrs. Kar's class Song—"Ringing the Bells" School Recitation Bells Bells Bells School Recitation Mrs. Kar's class Dialogue—"A Christmas Conspiracy.

Characters By himself Balls Santa Claus Santa Lieuthouse

Santa Ciaus.

Characters

By himself
The Sandman frying Lighthouse
The Raiston family Willie Rainsay,
Arthur Rainsay, Walter Anderson,
Frank Ilfrey, Jennie Rainsay, Sadie
Carstens.

Song "Wejcome to Santa Claus". School
Distribution of presents and prizes.
Benediction.

The Christmas entertainment of the Liberty Avenue Baptist church took place inst night at 7:30 o'clock. The following 'Listen All' By the paster School thous by Bessle Eogle, John Phillips

Recitations by Bessie Eogic, John Philips and Edna Josep Song. Howard Base and Alice Crone Becttations by Ruby Graff, Lucy Boudlineer, Howard Buse and Bertie Middred Wilson. The Midnight Hours Are Speed Septiment of Section 198 East Septiment Section 198 East Septiment Section 198 East Septiment Section 198 East Septiment Section 198 East Days of All Section 198 East Days of East

Mable Holf. Recitations by Willie Anderson, Alice Trone, Lucille Phillips, Verner Josey, May Fraff, Katle Gossett and Eugenia Dun

iorns of Brownies Joe Ezell, Range Ezell and John Cobb. 'roubles of Santa Claus' with happy "Troubles of Santa Claus and Fairy Queen
ending
By Santa Claus and Fairy Queen
Distribution of candles and fruits
Chorus—"Good Night, Children"... School

OTHER CELEBRATIONS. Christinas celebrations were also given last night by the Sunday schools and St. Mary's and Trinity Episcopal missions. The Q. N. L. club, an organization of young people, culoyed a Christmas ball last night at Bryan hall.

At the Lubbock Street Presbyterian REV. HALSELL'S CHRISTMAS GIFT.

soung people. esported at Christmas ball has the last at Bryan hall.

REV. HALSELL'S CHRISTMAS GIFT.

Received a Check for \$50, Which Was Afterward Stolen.

Rev. J. M. Halsell, pastor of the Cumberland Prestyterian church in this city, had a lacky and an unlacky Christmas. On Thesday he was happily surprised upon receiving through the mail a check for \$50.

The check was signed by Mr. R. B., Bishen of Fort Worth, and was on a Gaireston bank and under payable to the order to deep the check was signed by Mr. R. B., Bishen of Fort Worth, and was on a Gaireston bank and under payable to the order to deep the check and maintened of the check and the base of the check and the check and

ITALIANS RELEASED.-Frank Crapito and Frank Meratelbane, the two Italians To Get Rid of a Troublesome Corn. and Frank Meratelbane, the two italians charged with sheeting two negroes. John Anderson and Joe Reckemeyer, at Altone Mentelbene's place, corner Houston invesue and Edwards street, on Christmas doy had their examining trial before Justice Marthews yeardray. It had been deemed best to hold them'to await the result of the wounds on the negroes, but the statement of the physician that both negroes will recover and the wounds are not dangerous.

I hear the physician that both negroes will recover and the wounds are not dangerous, a hearing was given the prisoners. They were held over on the charge of assault to murder and their bond fixed at \$1000 such, which they readily gave and were released.

## RE HOLIDAY EVENTS. THE MELDRUM DONATION HIS BODY SAWED IN TWO

"Second. This donation in trust is made P. H. Spaulding Forced Against a Circular Saw with Fatal Result.

Death Ensued in a Short Time-A Cart Forces Victim Against the Saw as It Revolves.

Central Conf and Wood yard, just back yesterday afternoon, in which Mr. P. II. Spaulding lost his life. Mr. Spaulding, who was about 60 years of age, was employed at the Central, and was engaged in sawing foni-foot wood into stove wood lengths.

A negro driving a two-wheel cart came into the yard to get a load of wood. In driving up Mr. Spaulding did not think he to "luck up" closer. He took hold of the rear end of the cart to get it in the post-

well at Pierce Junction. That at a depth

of 350 feet a supply of natural gas was

the following statustics:
In 1870 the entire population of Texas was \$18,000; in 1970 it was 3,082,000.
The taxable wealth of the State in 1870 was \$170,000,000; in 1901 it is \$881,000,000, the increase in the last year being \$67.

assistance could reach him he was cualmost entirely through the body. The saw struck him on the right thigh from the back and out diagonally across his back, reaching just above the blp bone on the THE SAW CUTS UNDER THE TRUNK left side. The right leg was cut entirely through and was hanging by the skin, while the whole body was almost entirely severed in two pieces.

The injured man was taken to the Houston luffmary, where he lingered until 5:30 o'cleck, when he died. Justice Hill was notified at the time of the accident A most horrible accident occurred at the entral Cost and Wood yard, just back the Houston infrared the Houston in the Houst of the Houston infirmery, about 3 o'clock | Hill was again notified and held an inquest, but had returned no verdict at a late hour. The body was taken charge of by 8ld Westhelmer and removed to his undertaking establishment, where it was prepared for burial and then taken to the home of the deceased, No. 11 Young avenue. The remains will be shipped to Youkum today for interment by the side of was close enough with his cart and told him his wife, who is baried there. The deceased leaves three daughters, the youngest

### PROPOSITION SUBMITTED LECTURE ON THE DRAMA

TO DEVELOP OIL AND GAS IN HAR- UNDER AUSPICES OF CITY FEDER-ATION OF WOMAN'S CLUBS. RIS COUNTY NEAR HOUSTON.

Mr. James P. Richardson Delights His The Harris County Development Com-Audience in an Exhaustive Review pany Proposes to Sell Stock and of the Subject. Sink Another Well.

There was a meeting of citizens yester-Yesterday afternoon Mr. James P. Rich day afternoon at the Business League to ardson of Kansas City delivered a lecture hear a proposition from the Harris County at Christ church parish house upon the Development company, which has been engaged for some time past in bering for under the anspices of the City Federation oil near Pierce Junction, on what is known of Woman's Clubs and these who attended are congratulating themselves upon having is the Taylor place, where two wells, par ially completed, have been abandoned on land among them so schelarly and delight count of accidents, but where, according Mr. Richardson reviewed the drama from its origin in Greece, through Rome and nony, there is every evidence of securing the miracle and mystery plays of the mid n abundant supply of both gas and ell. dle ages, to the great lights of the Sex epteenth and Eighteenth contuctes. Business League, called the meeting to dwelt separately upon the dramatic in order and called upon Mr. Frank W. Fox dwelt separately upon the dramatic literature of France. Germany Spain and England, the magnitude of the student promising the half being told that it was evident the speaker had in story.

Mr. Richardson will feature again on Monday night at the High school and tortion upon the subject of Mannai Training. The proceeds of this letture, after exponses are paid, will go into the public school treasury toward building up manual training courses in the Houston High school. The Alumni association hopes to profit sufficiently by this to enable them in start the cooking department this conting term. a state the object. He in turn delegated this duty to Judge Norman G. Kittrell, who stated in ambatance that last Februery ten of Houston's well known citizens ormed a company for developing an oil

of 350 feet a supply of natural gas was encountered, of sufficient volume to Induce Prof. Ottey, the geologist, to assert that there was a sufficient supply of unioral gas there to supply Houston for years to come with an asyndance of gas ferboth light and fuel purposes. At a depth of \$60 feet a cap rock was struck and after penetrating it a depth of eighteen inches the drill was worn out, and in attempting to pull up the pipe to attach a new drill the well caved in with gravel and work could not be resumed. Another well was started about two miles distant from the first, and after going down with this one semestaling uper 700 feet another accident trusted its abandonment.

The Harris County Development company was organized with a capital stock of \$150, 100.

THE DEATH BOLL.

Its projectors, Messrs B W Camp, I. L. Weit, H. Levy, Captain William Dunovant, Mr. Vipeyard, John Shearn, James Bute, John H. B. House, Howard Smith, Frank W. Fox- and N. L. Mills, had already spent \$6000 in developing these wells, Oil experts who had Inspected the projecty assert that the prospects for oil there are the best they have encountered anywhere in Texas.

If oil should be developed there, continued Judges (Strei), and all that is religious and all that is re-The body of Mrs. Alice Worsham, who died Thursday afternoon, was embalated and shipped to Valda yesterday morning for interment. The deceased leaves a his band, an infant child, in this city, and a father, Thomas Birca, and sister, Mrs. Emma Hayes, at Valda, Texas.

Funeral of Mr. H. B. Roper. The funeral of the late Mr. H. B. Ropes who died at the residence of Mr. and Mrs J. C. Sellers, at Spring, Thursday, too and his remains were juid by the side of all parents, who are burded there. The di-respect leaves a sister. Mrs. Sallie Mc Manns, of Waxahachle, and a brother, Mr sleorge Roper, of Waces.

Mrs. J. Ella Manning. Mrs. J. Ella Marning.

Mrs. J. Ella Manning, wife of W. E. Manning, died at her home. No. 1518 Summer street, resterday morning at 0 oclock. The deceased leaves a husband, those daughters and n. soo. The funeral services will be lack at the restricted his after soon at 3 o'clock and will be conducted by Rev. John W. Thomas, the new paster a the Washington street Machaella Especiala church. South. The remains will be in terred in Hollywood censelery.

10.000.

In 1870 there were 711 miles of railroad in Texas; now there are 10.523 miles.

Mr. MacGregor wanted to know what constituted the assets of the thurs's County Development company and what, in angible results, might be expected by hose who were being asked to put up 8000 for steek. Funeral of Mrs. Mary Crowley: The funeral services over the remains of Mrs. Mary Crowley, who died at her residence, No. 1707 Dullas avenue, were held at the Church of the Annunciation yesterday morning at B o'clock. Rev. Father Thomas Hennesser, priest of the parish, conducted the services in accordance with the solemn ceremony of the Cathoire \$5000 for stock.

Mr. Fox said the new subscribers would participate equally in the profits of the enterprise in proportion to the stock subscribed for, and that this \$5000 was not to be used in replacing the \$6000 already expended. This \$6000 was already irrespondently lost the solemic elementy of the Catholic church. There was a large attendance the church. After the services the late ment took place in the Catholic cemeter. The deceased's daughter, Mrs. Rabbit St. Louis, and her nephew, Mr. N. Clayton of Galveston, were here to patheir last respects to the loved relative.

expended. This \$6000 was already irrecoversibly lost.

Mr. Martiregar said the plan of investinent should be more specifically outlined
if people were expected to put up their
money. His idea of the groposition was
substantially tals, that if say \$1000 could
be secured, this, with the \$6000 already
spent, would make an investment of \$15,
000, and that those who had put in this
\$15,000 would participate equally in the
division of the \$150,000 in stock, or receive in seek ien for one for the cash
put in and that the tangible assets was a
lease on 7000 acres of oil and gas producing
territory.

If money was to be secured it must be Funeral of Mr. Patrick Quinn.

After a postponement of the funeral services for a day, the daughters of the late Mr. Patrick Quinn, who died suddenly in this city, Mrs. M. Devanes of Commerce, Mrs. R. G. West of Deep Water and Mrs. C. M. Still of Taylor, arrived here, and the funeral services were held vesterally morning at 10 o'clock, the remains, followed by a large concourse of friends, were taken from the residence of his son-in-law, Mr. J. J. McHale, No. 2516 Franklin avenue, to the Churck of the Anamoniation, where they Father Thomas Hennessey conducted the funeral services. After the services the temaliss were taken to the Catholic consetery and all that was mortal of Patrick Quins was consigned to nother earth.

At the citizens' meeting at the Business League held yesterday afternoon Mr. T. C. Copping, un electrician of this clay, ap peared before it with the declaration that the sand from San Jacinto river contains over 25 per cent pure glass and proceeded to prove the truth of his declaration. He took a let of the sand pure San Jucinto river sand-with no other ingredients, and with a very crude knowledge of the manufacture of giass, and put it into a crucible. This crueible he placed in a furnace and exposed it to a terrific heat he claimed

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4000 degrees—until it was reduced to a liquid state. When this was done he allowed it to cool off, after which he took from the crucible nuggets of glass of different sizes, all of which were perfectly transparent. Mr. Copping claims that the said is over 75 per cent pure glass; that it is fine glass-bearing sand and that glass can be made from it at a big profit. Should this be so, it is but another proof of what the business world is beginning to be lieve, that Texas is a little world of it self, and anything that can be produced anywhere else on earth can be produced in Texas.

THE ST. LOUIS EXPOSITION.

The Organization of the Houston Contingent of the Texas Commission. A meeting of the Houston members of the World's Fair commission, appointed by the local Masonic orders formerly accupy Governor Savers recently, was held yester- ing lodge rooms in the temple to took about day, there being present Messra, John H. Kirby, H. F. MacGregor, H. W. Cortes, J. F; Dangherty, W. B. Slosson and R. M.

Johnston.

Colonel Johnston was elected chairman and Mr. Shessen secretary of the local committee.

Mr. Daugherty stated that he would be forced to decline the appointment, and there being another variance on Houston's representation it was decided to recommend to the governor that he appointment was a full cation bring \$4500.

Messrs, H. M. Mayo and Tom Richardson. After some discussions a full-committee was appointed to consult with certain in terests which should be interested in the Texas exhibit at St. Leuis, and the meet ing adjourned, subject to the cation the the tapper floors will be constructed while will be droved to business use, while the appoint of the displacitly of the building to Masonic uses, where all of the building to Masonic uses.

BIG SANDY. Johnny Single had his right eye shot out with a roman candle. Watch Becky Sharp.

### SITE FOR HOLLAND LODGE

BUILDING LOT PURCHASED AS HOME FOR LOCAL MASONIC LODGES.

A Lot on Travis Street Purchased by Committee from Holland

The recent determination of the Grand Ledge to abandon the Masonic temple in this city for other quarters, and the consequent uncertainty to what use the property will in future be devoted has caused for other quarters. Holland lodge has taken the initiative step in this direction and yesterday a committee from that

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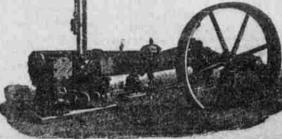
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